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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 8880

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: CDES, AO (GEARHART, DANIEL AND BACON, GEORGE)

SUBJECT: RETURN OF REMAINS

REF: STATE 175935

1. GOI MFA IS URGENTLY CABLING AMBASSADOR VECCHI IN LUANDA WITH REQUEST TO TAKE POSSESSION OF THE REMAINS OF GEARHART.
2. REQUEST WE BE INFORMED SOONEST AS TO WHERE REMAINS SHOULD BE CONSIGNED, ASSUMING VECCHI SUCCEEDS. SIMILARLY REQUEST WE BE ADVISED CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF REMOVING BODY TO UNITED STATES. DO WE PRESUME CORRECTLY WE CAN GIVE MFA FLAT ASSURANCE THAT IT WILL RECEIVE PROMPT REIMBURSEMENT FOR ALL EXPENSES INCURRED?
3. OUR MFA CONTACT, RACHELE, TOOK NOTE OF OUR INTENTION THAT GOI INTERCESSION IMPLIES NO REPEAT NO DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION, BUT RATHER A HUMANITARIAN ACT.
4. MFA TELEGRAM ALSO REQUESTS VECCHI TO MAKE SIMILAR INTER-CESSIONS WITH GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA CONCERNING REMAINS OF GEORGE BACON. WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING GIVEN BACKGROUND ON THE BACON CASE, SPECIFICALLY THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS DEATH,

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HIS STATUS AT THE TIME IN ANGOLA, ETC. WE HAVE TOLD MFA WE

ARE FAIRLY CONFIDENT BACON WAS NOT REPEAT NOT A MERCENARY.

5. WE ALSO NEED INFORMATION ON CONSIGNING BACON'S BODY AND
FINANCING AS ABOVE REQUESTED CONCERNING GEARHART. VOLPE

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